

Using Commas With Coordinating Conjunctions

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Student Answers May Vary –
Sample answers given.

Coordinating conjunctions join two independent clauses to make a compound sentence. Use a comma between the first independent clause and the coordinating conjunction. **Example:** *My brother like the mountains, but I like the beach.*

To help you remember the coordinating conjunctions, think of the words "FAN BOYS".



For And Next But Or Yet So



Combine the sentences using a comma and a coordinating conjunction.

1. I don't want to argue with you. I don't want to give in.

I don't want to argue with you, yet I don't want to give in.

2. She had a lot of friends. She was a friendly girl.

She had a lot of friends, for she was a friendly girl.

3. I had a cute puppy. I lost him.

I had a cute puppy, but I lost him.

4. He studied for the test. He got a good grade.

He studied for the test, so he got a good grade.

5. Jim can boil eggs. Sally can make toast.

Jim can boil eggs, and Sally can make toast.

6. We can go to Disneyland. We can go to Sea World.

We can go to Disneyland, or we can go to Sea World.

7. Dan moved to Michigan. He moved home again.

Dan moved to Michigan, but he moved home again.

8. They didn't want to be late. They hurried.

They didn't want to be late, so they hurried.

9. Jill runs a mile every day. She swims on Fridays.

Jill runs a mile every day, and she swims on Fridays.

10. You can choose vanilla ice cream. You can choose chocolate.

You can choose vanilla ice cream, or you can choose chocolate.